BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

JUNE 5, 2000

IN RE:)
BELLSOUTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TARIFF TO EXECUTE AN AREA TRANSFER) DOCKET NO. 00-00129
FROM THE GATLINBURG EXCHANGE TO THE BENT CREEK EXCHANGE)
ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF	FILING

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on March 14, 2000, for consideration of Tariff No. 00-00129 (the "Tariff") filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"). BellSouth filed the Tariff with the Authority on February 22, 2000, with a proposed effective date of March 22, 2000, to execute an area transfer from the Gatlinburg exchange to the Bent Creek exchange.

The area transfer will require a telephone number change for approximately twenty-seven (27) of BellSouth's residential customers. At the time of the Authority Conference, however, the affected customers had not been notified of the changes proposed by BellSouth.

Therefore, the Directors voted unanimously to suspend the Tariff filing for ninety (90) days. The Directors also voted to direct BellSouth to provide notice of the proposed change to each affected customer. Such notice is to include a BellSouth address and

telephone number for the customer's response, and a copy of each notice sent to an affected customer is to be submitted to the Authority.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. BellSouth's Tariff filing to effect an area transfer from the Gatlinburg exchange to the Bent Creek exchange is suspended for ninety (90) days through June 12, 2000;
- 2. BellSouth shall provide notice of the proposed transfer and related changes in service to each of the customers who will be affected by the Tariff; and
- 3. BellSouth shall submit to the Authority, to be filed in this docket, a copy of each notice sent to the affected customers.

Melvin J Malone, Chairman

H. Lonn Greer, Jr., Director

Sara Kyle, Director

ATTEST:

K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary

¹ In voting to suspend BellSouth's Tariff filing, Director Kyle stated that she would not make a final decision on BellSouth's filing until she has reviewed any responses to BellSouth's notice from the affected customers.